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Riverside Police Host Free Car Seat Clinic in Response to New Child Restraint Law in California *Keeping Kids in Booster Seats!*

Riverside, California – The Riverside Police Department is hosting a Free Child Passenger Safety Clinic on January 24, 2012. Effective January 1, 2012, the California child passenger restraint law was expanded to protect children up to 8 years of age or under 4'9". Prior to the change, California's law only protected children up to 6 years of age or under 60 pounds. Now with the new law, older children will be 60 percent safer in a booster seat than when they were using only the seat belt. A booster seat allows the vehicle lap-shoulder belt to be properly positioned across the strongest bones of the child's body.

Certified Technicians from Automobile Club of Southern California, California Highway Patrol, Inland Empire Safe Kids, Riverside County Injury Prevention Services, and Riverside Police Department will check child restraints for proper usage, proper fit for the child, and any recalls. Parents will be asked to assist with the installation of their children's restraints to insure that they will be able to secure the child properly every time they ride. To make an appointment contact PSR DeFries at ndefries@riversideca.gov or (951) 826-5674.

Where: Magnolia Police Station
10540 Magnolia Ave.
Riverside, California

When: Tuesday, January 24, 2012
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

The Riverside Police Department also holds free monthly fitting stations at the downtown Orange Street location. To inquire about dates or to make an appointment contact Traffic Education Coordinator PSR DeFries at ndefries@riversideca.gov or (951) 826-5674.

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